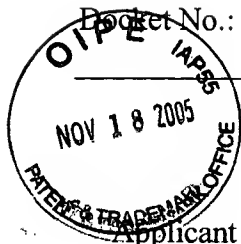


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Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed on August 16, 2005 in connection with the above-referenced patent application. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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